

**GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**PRELUDE:**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✝ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,  
**have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we have turned from you**  
**and given ourselves into the power of sin.**  
**We are truly sorry and humbly repent.**

**In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,  
things we have done and things we have failed to do.  
Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit,  
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.  
**Amen.**

## **PENTECOST KYRIE:**

**ALL: Blessed be God, the source of life,  
Creator of all, our hope and song.  
Blessed be God, the source of love,  
Holy Three and Holy One.**

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## **PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

Merciful Jesus,  
**you hear the cries of those who seek your help.  
Give us persistent faith and open our hearts to your wide mercy;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.**

## **GATHERING SONG: ELW 807 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

**1** Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.

While the hope of endless glory  
fills my heart with joy and love,  
teach me ever to adore thee;  
may I still thy goodness prove.

**2** Here I raise my Ebenezer:  
"Hither by thy help I've come";  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wand'ring from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
interposed his precious blood.

**3** Oh, to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be;  
let that grace now like a fetter  
bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;  
prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;  
seal it for thy courts above.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790, alt.

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: My God Is So Big** (*Sunday Tempe/Gilbert*)

### **Bridge**

My God is so big so strong and so mighty  
There's nothing my God cannot do  
My God is so big so strong and so mighty  
There's nothing my God cannot do  
The mountains are His the valleys are His  
The stars are His handiwork too

My God is so big so strong and so mighty  
There's nothing my God cannot do

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Sat 5pm Tempe: **NO** Children's Message  
Sunday Tempe & Gilbert: *Sing at all services*

## **WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### **FIRST LESSON: Psalm 67 (Responsively)**

<sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to us and bless us;  
may the light of God's face shine upon us.

**<sup>2</sup> Let your way be known upon earth,  
your saving health among all nations.**

<sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

**<sup>4</sup> Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.**

<sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

**<sup>6</sup>The earth has brought forth its increase;  
God, our own God, has blessed us.**

**<sup>7</sup>May God give us blessing,  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.**

**L: The Word of the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **PENTECOST GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, Come Holy Spirit**

### **Refrain**

Alleluia, come Holy Spirit, come,  
Alleluia, we're gathered around Your throne.

Speak to Your people, ignite us with flame,  
Fill us with power to speak of Your name.  
Alleluia, our hearts are now Your home.

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## **GOSPEL: Matthew 15:21-28**

<sup>21</sup> Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." <sup>24</sup> He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup> He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup> She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed from that moment.

**L: The Gospel of the Lord.**

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **SERMON:**

*"Mission of Mercy"*  
Pastor Andrea Cain  
(Sat 5pm/Sunday Tempe )

*"Don't Tell Me No"*  
Pastor Thaddeus Book  
(Gilbert)

## **SONG OF THE DAY: ELW 742 What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

**1** What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
ev'rything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit;  
oh, what needless pain we bear--  
all because we do not carry  
ev'rything to God in prayer!

**2** Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged--  
take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful

who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--  
take it to the Lord in prayer.

**3** Are we weak and heavy-laden,  
cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge--  
take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you;  
you will find a solace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820-1886

## **APOSTLES' CREED:**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:**

Trusting Jesus, who hears the cries of all who seek mercy, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Merciful Lord, strengthen your church with persistent faith. Teach pastors, leaders, and congregations to welcome those who cry out for help and to share your mercy with all people. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of wide compassion, break down the barriers that divide nations, communities, and neighbors. Guide leaders to act with justice, humility, and care for those too often sent away or ignored. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Healing Lord, Hear the cries of all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; bring healing, comfort, and hope, especially those we name before you now (especially...).

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of life, we give thanks for the saints who trusted your mercy and now rest in your care. Keep us persistent in faith until we join them at your heavenly table.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **PEACE:**

May the peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*We share a word of peace with our neighbors.*

## MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING:

The grace of Christ calls us to lives of gratitude and generosity. In Jesus Christ we are given new life. Let us celebrate this life by giving generously to the work of God's redeeming love.

*The Hunger Jar is a love offering designated to support the local Women4Women organization creating free access to hygiene supplies for low income and unhoused women in Arizona.*

*You are invited to share your gifts in worship while others give electronically at [www.desertcross.org](http://www.desertcross.org) with the giving button, text giving, or by QR code. We give thanks for all the ways you support God's mission of outreach through Desert Cross that changes lives for the sake of the gospel*

### OFFERING SONG: For the One

#### Verse 1

Let me be filled  
With kindness and compassion for the one  
The one for whom You loved and gave Your Son  
For humanity increase my love

#### Chorus

Help me to love with open arms like You do  
A love that erases all the lines and sees the truth  
Oh that when they look in my eyes  
They would see You  
Even in just a smile

They would feel the Father's love

#### Verse 2

Oh how You love us  
From the homeless to the famous and in-between  
You formed us You made us carefully  
'Cause in the end we're all Your children

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### OFFERING PRAYER:

Merciful Lord,  
you meet the us and all people with healing love.  
Bless these gifts we offer to do your work  
in ways we can see and in miracles beyond our seeing.  
Send us out as signs of your mercy;  
through Christ our healer, Savior, and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **HOLY COMMUNION:**

### **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

O God of resurrection and new life:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Bless this feast.  
Grace our table with your presence.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.  
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.  
Breathe new life into us.  
Send us forth,  
burning with justice, peace, and love.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION:**

*In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

*Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying, this cup is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

*Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:*

### **LORD'S PRAYER:**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

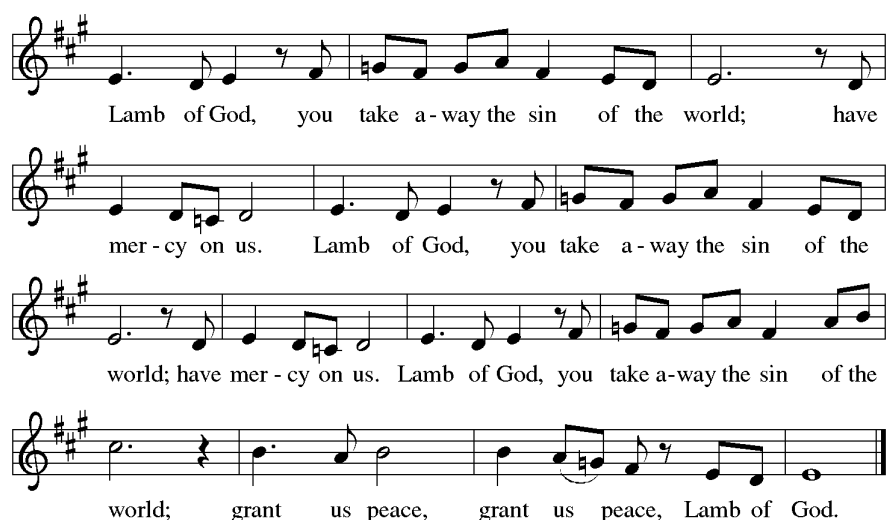
This is Christ's table. There is a place for you.

All are welcome.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION:

*Come forward to receive the bread and a cup of wine/juice. Alert an usher for communion in your seat. All are welcome.*

## LAMB OF GOD: ELW p.191 - Lamb of God (Setting 8)



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

## DISTRIBUTION SONG 1: ELW 484 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

### Refrain

You satisfy the hungry heart  
with gift of finest wheat.

Come give to us, O saving Lord,  
the bread of life to eat.

**1** As when the shepherd calls his sheep,  
they know and heed his voice;  
so when you call your fam'ly, Lord,  
we follow and rejoice. *Refrain*

**2** With joyful lips we sing to you  
our praise and gratitude

that you should count us worthy, Lord,  
to share this heav'nly food. *Refrain*

**3** Is not the cup we bless and share  
the blood of Christ outpoured?  
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare  
our oneness in the Lord? *Refrain*

**4** The myst'ry of your presence, Lord,  
no mortal tongue can tell:  
whom all the world cannot contain  
comes in our hearts to dwell. *Refrain*

**5** You give yourself to us, O Lord;  
then selfless let us be,  
to serve each other in your name

in truth and charity. *Refrain*

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997  
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## **DISTRIBUTION SONG 2: Lord, I Need You**

### **Verse 1**

Lord I come I confess  
Bowing here I find my rest  
And without You I fall apart  
You're the one that guides my heart

### **Chorus 1**

Lord I need You oh I need You  
Ev'ry hour I need You  
My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You

### **Verse 2**

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more  
Where grace is found is where You are  
And where You are Lord I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me  
Where You are Lord I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me

### **Bridge**

So teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus You're my hope and stay  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus You're my hope and stay

### **Chorus 2**

Lord I need You oh I need You  
Ev'ry hour I need You  
My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You  
My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You

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## **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER:**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ  
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

Merciful Lord,  
you meet us at this table with healing love. In bread and wine, you give us mercy  
enough for today and hope for miracles still unfolding among us. Strengthen us to trust  
your power, follow your compassion, and carry your healing mercy into the world;  
in your holy name we pray.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### BENEDICTION:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor +

And give you peace.

**Amen.**

### SENDING SONG: ELW 543 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

**1** "Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love's baptismal river  
I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."

**2** "Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Here you heard my dear Son's story,  
here you touched him, saw his glory.

Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."

**3** "Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.  
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.  
Here my Spirit's power filled you,  
here my tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.  
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### DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE:

**Thank you  
for supporting the Desert Cross mission.  
Here are the ways you can donate today:**

**ONLINE GIVING:**



Get your smart phone  
and scan the QR-code  
with your phone camera

**SECURE TEXT GIVING:**

Text "GIVE" to  
833-636-1502

**USPS:**

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**Flower Donation:**

*The flowers in the altar in Tempe this weekend are given by Tim & Dawn Collins in celebration of their anniversary.*